

# KIRKWOOD KRONICLE

*A Christian Community Knowing, Loving, and Serving Christ, to make Him known to all.*

**MAY 2019**

## A Letter From Our Pastor



Hello KirkWood!

Over the last month, we have had several Town Hall meetings. Many of you have given a lot of your time to participate in the table conversations and discussions. I want to sincerely thank you! It has been an incredible experience to walk through this part of KirkWood's Mission Study with you!

Your Mission Study Team has the task now to reflect on all the wonderful information and feedback you have given and formulate a report that reflects KirkWood's past, present, and future. As we work together discerning Christ's vision for this part of His Body, it is both a challenge and a unique blessing to listen and respond to His voice.

I hope you will continue to pray for and work with the Mission Study Team as it continues its study. There is so much to look forward to as we prepare for the next season of KirkWood's life. Jesus is doing incredible things here, and I pray that you will find a way to get connected to that incredible work.

In the weeks ahead, it will be our task to begin the work of forming the Pastor Nominating Committee. As we do, please remain in prayer, study, reflection, and discernment about what Jesus wants for KirkWood in the years to come!

In Christ,  
Charles



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**Worship:** 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. (nursery available)

**Sunday School:** 8:30 a.m. (Adults), 9:30 a.m. (Adults), 11:00 a.m. (Children, Youth, & Adults)



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## WEEKLY READINGS & SERMON TITLES

May 5 - Exodus 14:21-25 & Matthew 8:23-27

Sermon Title: WAKE HIM UP

May 12 - Children's Musical - 100% Chance of Rain

May 19 - Isaiah 43:18-25 & Matthew 9:1-8

Sermon Title: WALK

May 26 - Psalm 126 & Matthew 9:35-38

Sermon Title: BRINGING IN THE SHEAVES

## SPECIAL DATES

May 2 - National Day of Prayer

May 12 - Mother's Day

May 18 - Armed Forces Day

May 27 - Memorial Day (Church Office Closed)

May 20 - Ascension



### Easter Egg Hunt

Thank you for the donations, prayers, and volunteer service! Despite the rain, KirkWood was able to connect faith truths with egg hunt traditions to 70-80 children and their families.



# MUSIC MINISTRY

Worship

## **All Glory, Laud and Honor!**

On Palm Sunday, the KirkWood Children’s Choir joined with the KirkWood Bell Choir and the Cantata Choir in a rousing call to worship. It was wonderful to see people of all ages joining together to sing God’s praise. As we ended the services we were treated to a parade of palms by the children. What a celebration!



## **Cantata Choir - Love Brought Me Back**

The Cantata Choir ROCKED the Sanctuary on Sunday morning with their gospel rendition. We couldn’t help but dance to this glorious music; thanks to the awesome talent of Tina Dowe at the keyboard!

# MUSIC MINISTRY

Worship

## **100% Chance of Rain**

You thought we've had a lot of rain this year, but that's nothing, because according to Gabby, "WE'RE IN FOR A STORM!" And Bailey adds, "WOULD YOU BELIEVE A FLOOD?"

Yes, a flood is coming to KirkWood on May 12<sup>th</sup> when the Children's Choir presents the musical "100% Chance of Rain."

From our Mr. and Ms. Noah (Ben and Jeanine Scott,) to our BREAKING NEWS WEATHER REPORT featuring some of our teenagers, to our two doves, Brooke and Charlotte, to our fabulous pit band, "The Rainmakers," to our pre-school parade of animals onto the ark featuring whichever 2-4 year olds decide to participate that moment, you can be assured you will be entertained as you learn about the story of Noah and the Flood and the promise which God made to us.

## **Thank You**

Thank you to those who worked to create the music during Holy Week:

- To the members of the Cantata Choir who have been rehearsing weekly for months
- To the KirkWood Children's Choir for joining the Cantata Choir on Palm Sunday
- To the KirkWood Bell Choir which added so much to our Palm Sunday and Easter introits
- To Mary Brown whose sweet flute-playing set a beautiful tone on Maundy Thursday
- To Tina Dowe, our pianist, who provides the foundation of our music-making.





# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## Christian Education

This summer, Pastor Charles Tucker will teach Sunday School prior to the single service, details to be announced. Bruce Buchanan has offered to teach a class after the service, using the [Bible Studies for Life](#) curriculum, if people express interest. Please contact him at [r.bruce.buchanan@gmail.com](mailto:r.bruce.buchanan@gmail.com) if you are interested.

KirkWood will recognize high school graduates during the June 2<sup>nd</sup> services. Please let Bruce Buchanan know who you would like recognized and which service they attend. Additionally, CE will place an announcement in the bulletin for June 2<sup>nd</sup>, and in the June Kronicle announcing all high school and college graduates. Please send Bruce the names of those to recognize, the school they are graduating from, and their future plans.

# STEWARDSHIP

## Stewardship

The first quarter of 2019 is over. Are you caught up on your pledge? Graduations and summer vacations are coming soon. Can you pay a little up front before you go away so KirkWood doesn't fall behind on the bills?

Please remember to use your account number on the memo line every time you write a check to KirkWood. If you had envelopes last year but opted out of envelopes this year, please use your new number. The new number will be four digits beginning with a 5 and ending with your old number. You may have to add a zero or two in between. Example: old number 67 would now be 5067. If your old number was already four digits, it did not change.

Thank you for your help during this transition. If you have any questions, contact Kathy Fore at (757) 867-6805 or by email at [kathyfore82@gmail.com](mailto:kathyfore82@gmail.com).



# KIRKWOOD SILVER

Congregational Care

KirkWood Silver is keeping it simple in May. We'll be enjoying great fellowship over lunch at Smoke BBQ, 10900 Warwick Blvd, on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. You may meet at the restaurant at 11:30 a.m. or you may carpool from the church at 11:00 a.m. Sign up in the Narthex April 28<sup>th</sup> - May 12<sup>th</sup>. Bring a friend! If you have questions, contact Wanda Birch at (757) 868-8651 or at [wandjbirch@verizon.net](mailto:wandjbirch@verizon.net).

On June 6<sup>th</sup>, our adventurous KirkWood Silver group is planning to cruise to the fast disappearing Tangier Island. Sadly, between 1850 and 2015 the island shrank from 2,163 acres to 789 acres, losing more than 8 acres per year. In a few more years no one will be going to Tangier!

Visiting Tangier Island will require a daytrip, with departure from KirkWood at 7:30 a.m., a two hour road trip to Reedville to catch the boat, and a return trip around 6:30 p.m. We are hoping to take KirkWood's new van on this trip. It carries 12 passengers. You may reserve a seat when you sign up for the trip. There will also be a carpool, and several drivers will be needed.

The cost for the boat ride to Tangier and back is \$28, payable to Bill Gilbert. Lunch options on the island include an all-you-can-eat buffet at Hilda Crockett's Chesapeake House (featuring crab cakes, ham, clam fritters, lots of sides, homemade pound cake, and tea and coffee for the cost of \$24), or one of several small lunch cafes, or you may wish to bring your own lunch.

Please sign up in the Narthex beginning May 5<sup>th</sup>. The deadline will be May 19<sup>th</sup>. For further information, contact Bill and Carolyn Gilbert at (757) 868-8953 ([poqbill@verizon.net](mailto:poqbill@verizon.net)) or Jim and Wanda Birch.



# CONGREGATIONAL CARE

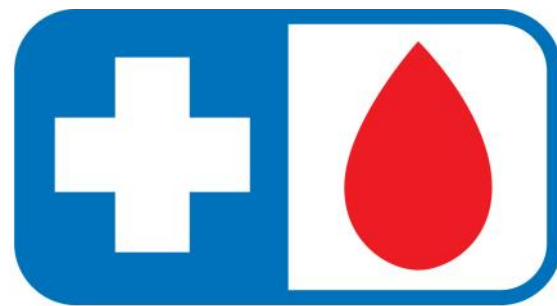
Congregational Care

## **Blood Drive**

The next KirkWood Blood Drive is scheduled for **Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 2:00-7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.**

There is no menu as of this date, but KirkWood’s fabulous cooks will be providing a meal for all donors. All donors will receive a \$5 Amazon gift code. Donors can schedule their appointments by going online to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org); sponsor code “KirkwoodPC”. If you would like to save yourself some time on drive day, you can access the **RAPIDPASS**.

RAPIDPASS lets you do the prescreen process from your laptop or desktop computer and can save you as many as 15-20 minutes when you get to the drive. The Red Cross will send a link to your email the day of the drive. There will be someone in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> between the worship services to make appointments as well. If you would like to help with the preparation of the food prior to the drive, there will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex two weeks prior to the drive or contact Gloria Griffin at (757)223-4104. If you have questions or would like to help at upcoming drives, please contact Cathy Hudgins at (757)869-2645 or [hudgepudge@aol.com](mailto:hudgepudge@aol.com). There is an urgent need for all types of blood now and always. Please prayerfully consider coming out and donating this lifesaving need!



**G I V E**  
*Blood*

## **Military Appreciation Potluck Dinner**

Join us for the Military Appreciation Potluck Dinner on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Let’s all bring a dish to share and celebrate the members of our congregation who are serving in or have served in the military.

Mark your calendars for the annual CHURCH PICNIC on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>.



# HELP NEEDED FOR FLOWER DELIVERIES

Congregational Care

We have a wonderful team of ladies who prepare bud vases of flowers each Sunday to be delivered to the sick, hospitalized, and homebound of the KirkWood fellowship. In the past we have had several folks help with these deliveries and visits each week, but now we have only one person who does the visits. At a minimum we need volunteers who can step in to help with visits and deliveries when this person is out of town or unavailable. Of course, we would really hope volunteers might want to help with this ministry each week. We will arrange to familiarize volunteers with the people normally visited, and Tina can update you on any special needs each week. If you are interested contact Bill Gilbert at (757) 868-8953 or poqbill@verizon.net.

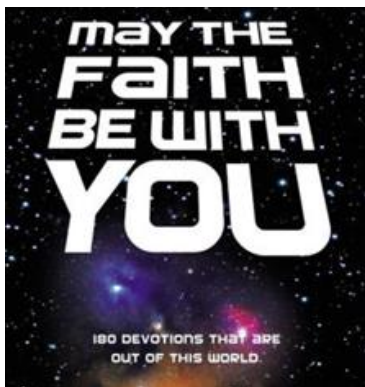
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Christian Education

Look for these new additions to the Children’s Library.

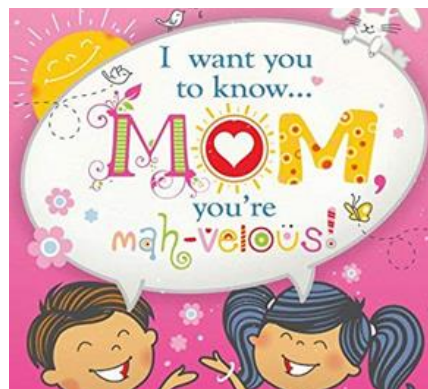
May the Faith Be With You

by Zondervan



The Berenstain Bears Mother’s Day Blessings

by Mike Berenstain



I want you to know...Mom, you’re Mah-velous! compiled by Barbour Staff





TO MARS AND BEYOND

# VBS

**July 22—26th**  
**5:30 P.M.—8:00 P.M.**

**\*Includes free dinner  
each night for participants**

**\*Special mission based  
program for middle school**

**Register Early before  
all the spots blast off!**

**Ages 4 years  
through rising 8th  
grade**

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**Explore where God's power can take YOU!!!**

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Mark it on your calendars to blast off with us! Your time and talents are valued, appreciated, and necessary to a successful event. Sign up soon to volunteer!

Join us at TO MARS AND BEYOND to explore where God's power can take you! Child registration is open online at [https://tmab.cokesburyvbs.com/kirkwood\\_pcusa](https://tmab.cokesburyvbs.com/kirkwood_pcusa).